

Remarks

The foregoing amendments to the specification are sought only to correct obvious typographical errors. The nature of the errors is apparent from an examination of the changes sought, in context. No new matter would be added by any amendment sought, nor would any additional search or examination be required. Accordingly, consideration and entry of the indicated amendment is requested prior to issuance.

In addition, and further to the telephone communication of May 24, 2004 between Applicants' undersigned representative and Examiner Balasubramanian, Applicants note that the Examiner's Amendment set forth with the Notice of Allowance is not required and is superfluous in view of the Preliminary Amendment filed October 9, 2001. The Preliminary Amendment correctly added the cross-relation paragraph following the Title in the original specification text. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner's amendment not be entered.

Although no fees are believed due in connection with this submission, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 09-0528. If any questions remain, please contact the undersigned by telephone for prompt response.

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